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Applicant: RAY et al
Filed: September 12, 2003
Title: METHOD TO REMOVE UNWANTED, UNEXPOSED, RADIATION-SENSITIVE
LAYER IN A LITHOGRAPHIC PRINTING PLATE
TC/A.U.: Unknown
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Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The Examiner's attention is called to the following copending applications.

- 1) "Method to remove unwanted, unexposed, positive-working, radiation-sensitive layer," Serial Number 10/134,080, filed April 26, 2002, pending in Group Art Unit 2854, Examiner Jill E. Culler.

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Respectfully submitted,



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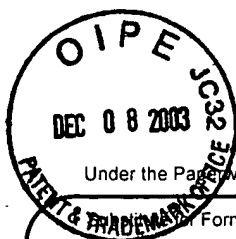
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